

Dear friends,

I have good news to share with the residents of Manchester.

As the 2006 session of the General Assembly reached its midpoint, the State Bond Commission released over \$400,000 to help the Town of Manchester improve Broad Street. The Broad Street commercial area is in a terrible state of disrepair, and as a lifelong resident of Manchester I would like to see the district prosper again.

The entire Manchester legislative delegation takes pride in securing funding for the projects that help make Manchester a better place to live. State Representative Ryan Barry worked especially hard to secure these important funds. He deserves our thanks.

I have included some additional details about the Broad Street project. If you have comments or questions, please call me at my office.

Yours truly,

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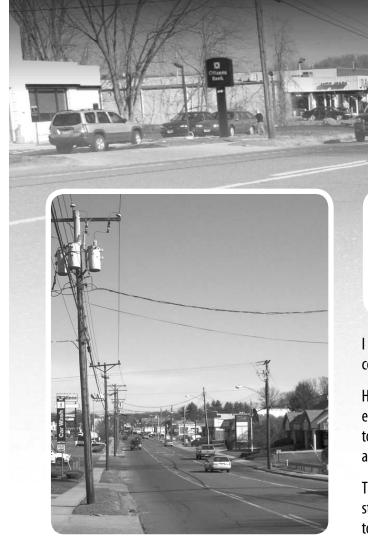
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State Senator Mary Ann Handley State Supports Broad Street Improvements

I am pleased to report the release of state funding for a streetscape improvement program for the Broad Street commercial area in Manchester. The state will provide \$412,000 to Manchester to help pay for the project.

Historically, Broad Street has served as a regional commercial center and an important hub of Manchester's local economy and social scene. I'm glad to have the opportunity to support the effort to revitalize this neighborhood and to help underwrite the planned upgrades to this area because so many people will benefit from the safety and aesthetic improvements.

The grant, authorized by the legislature and now approved by the State Bond Commission, will be administered by the state Department of Economic and Community Development as part of its overall strategy to provide economic stimuli to local communities.